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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Anthony A. Gallegos, Senior Reclamation Specialist *aa-g*

RE: Site Inspection, Quality Building Stone, Inc., Snow White Project, S/015/084, Emery County, Utah

Date of Inspection: January 20, 2000
Time of Inspection: 1705 - 1725
Conditions: cloudy, cool
Participants: Will Stokes, SITLA; Tony Gallegos, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To examine the site on BLM managed land in consideration of a request for a variance from revegetation requirements.

The site is access by turning south off the main county road about one mile east of Smith Pond as shown on the Dry Mesa quad map. The access road to the site heads south off the county road and then turns west toward the white sandstone outcrop. The access road becomes a two-track trail as you near the outcrop.

At the time of this inspection, stone had recently been quarried from boulders adjacent to the outcrop as evident by the drill marks and freshly split stone faces. These boulders are adjacent to an outcrop of white sandstone. A very small amount of surface disturbance was created near the base of the outcrop by a tracked piece of equipment at the area of split stone. The disturbance at the outcrop and the two-track trail would total less than one tenth of an acre. Photographs were taken to document the current site conditions.

The outcrop itself is solid stone with no substantial topsoil or vegetation. The area at the base of the outcrop where the loose boulders are located is vegetated and contains sufficient soils for revegetation efforts. The short section of new two-track trail also contains sufficient soils for revegetation efforts. The Division will need to send the operator a separate letter responding to the variance requests.

cc: Wes Hansen, Quality Building Stone, Inc.
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